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56th. 2866 Lance-Corporal Infantry Howard I Anson Battalian, BLOOMFIELD.

Regimental No., Rank and Name have been verified and are correct.
This H.C.O. has not received any previous award.

On 2nd. September, 1918, during the resumption of the attack on PERONNE this N.C.O. displayed splendid initiative, judgment, courage and devotion to duty under the most trying circumstances.

Under exceptionally heavy shell, machine gun and rifle fire and in the absence of Officers and senior N.C.O's. Enrough having become desuraties, he collected men who had become disorganised, moved them forward and occupied a serious gap in the line. His prompt section saved the situation, and cannot be too highly praised.

Brig-General, Inf. Brigade.

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